

Ready To Compromise, Nixon Tells Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a major new effort to put Watergate behind him, President Nixon told the Democratic-controlled Congress today that he is ready to compromise "on solutions to our national problems."

Submitting a special 15,000-word State of the Union message, Nixon urged action this year on his priority legislation and stated anew actions he opposes: a tax increase, red-ink spending, hefty

defense cuts and the busing of school children to achieve racial balance.

Mingling compliments with criticism, Nixon said he welcomes "a congressional renaissance" and is "ready to find workable compromises wherever possible on solutions to our national problems."

While making repeated pledges of cooperation, the President

emphasized that if Congress votes more money than he wants, he will not hesitate to veto spending bills and impound appropriations.

He also said he "will continue to oppose all efforts to strip the presidency of powers it must have to be effective" — an apparent threat to veto any legislation that would limit his war powers.

Nixon displayed the olive branch more prominently than the willow switch, however.

Asserting a belief in a strong Congress as well as a strong presidency, he said, "There can be no monopoly of wisdom on either end of Pennsylvania Avenue and there should be no monopoly of power."

"... If we proceed in a spirit of constructive partnership, our

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Beef Supply To Rise As Freeze Ends

With the beef price ceiling lifted at midnight last night, shoppers in southwestern Michigan can expect to find plentiful supplies of beef on meat counters before this week is out.

They may find some increase

in price, but the meat department managers for various area stores feel this bulge probably will disappear in a short time, and price tags may go a little below what they've been recently.

Jerry Weston, meat manager at the Jewell store in Benton Harbor, along with others, pointed out that pork and poultry prices have been moving down from the high levels reached after ceilings on those meats were lifted in July. He thinks beef will follow the same course, but ground beef may not stabilize as quickly as other beef cuts because higher quality cattle that will be coming to market now.

Charles Exum of Schneck's Super Market in St. Joseph said what beef prices will do is anybody's guess. But he thinks they will level off after an initial surge. He added that meat probably never will get back to "cheap prices".

Nationally, not even the top experts knew exactly what would happen to the family food bill, but many of them agreed that consumer buying patterns would be a major factor in determining prices.

"If the housewives decide the price is too high and don't buy, then the price is going to have to come back down," said Ed Spear, a spokesman for Armour & Co. "On the other hand, if they continue buying, it may go up some."

The ceiling on beef was lifted at midnight Sunday after more than five months of government controls. At the same time, new rules went into effect permitting price boosts on other foods to reflect the rising cost of things like wages and overhead.

"The cattlemen are very apprehensive," said John Olson, executive secretary of the

London Bombs Injure 11

LONDON (AP) — Bombs exploded at two London railway stations today, injuring 11 persons, authorities reported.

Police originally said one man was killed in the blasts, but Scotland Yard announced later that he was still alive "but in a very bad way."

Bomb scares also were reported at two other rail terminals. The blasts and warning all came around noon, London time.

Police said the largest explosion was at Euston Station, a main terminal for trains from the north of England and Scotland. Boat trains from Ireland go via Liverpool to Euston.

A three-minute warning was given there.

A man with an Irish accent called the Press Association, a British domestic news agency, and said: "There's a bomb in the Euston station snack bar due to go off any minute."

Police had no time to clear the station. One man was killed there and several others were injured.

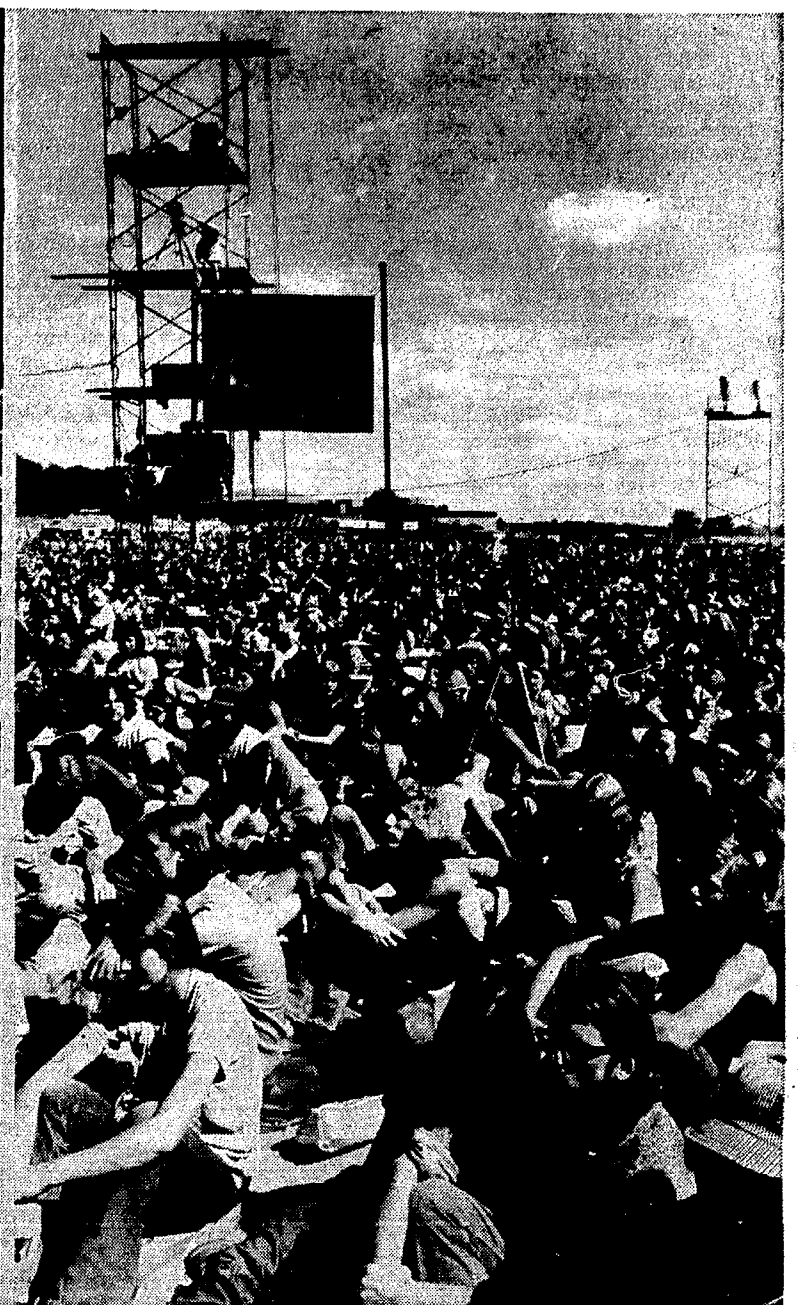
The other bomb, at King's

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TREE SEATS: Hammocks strung high in trees provide seats free of charge for spectators at second annual Blues and Jazz festival in Ann Arbor over weekend. Hammocks were strung outside



fence of festival site on northeast side of Ann Arbor near Huron high school. View at right shows some of 16,000 spectators who attended 2½-day festival.

Event was reported orderly with medical tents for emergencies and special area set aside for parents. (David Arndt photos)

Ann Arbor 'Smokers' Ignore Warning

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Despite an advance warning that pot smokers would be prosecuted, police said

thousands of marijuana cigarettes were passed through the crowd of more than 16,000 at the weekend Ann Arbor Blues and Jazz Festival.

Lake Temperature

The temperature of Lake Michigan at shoreline today is 50 degrees.

Lake Michigan College students, register for college bowling league. Student Union, Wed. & Thurs., Sept. 12 & 13. Adv.

Only 16 arrests were made and these were outside the festival gates.

"If you move into a crowd of 16,000 people and try to arrest a guy passing around a joint, you'd be lucky to come out of there with your shirt on," said Ann Arbor Police Chief Walter Krasny.

"The only way you could stop it inside is by calling out the National Guard," he said. "It's difficult to go into a crowd and start arresting. You try to isolate them from the crowd."

Of the 16 persons arrested,

Krasny said two men were accused of selling about two pounds of marijuana.

"They were bagging it and selling it," he said.

Krasny said the others taken into custody "were released on their own recognizance" and charges will be filed later.

Krasny said the arrests were meant as a warning that the state marijuana law will be enforced in Ann Arbor.

The city council recently repealed a local ordinance which allowed marijuana users to be assessed a \$5 fine instead of being charged under the stiffer state law.

Krasny earlier said he would plant plainclothes police in the

festival crowd. But he explained he changed his mind because, "If the crowd thinks there are undercover policemen, you will have incidents in which people will rough up a guy who looks straight and who they think is a policeman."

The uniformed policemen assigned to the festival reported encountering little hostility. "They're just having a good time," one Ann Arbor policeman said. Referring to the arrests, he said, "We pull more people than that out of a football game."

The communal Ann Arbor Tribal Council assigned their own security force to the festival. These so-called

Psychedelic Rangers said they ignored marijuana use but tried to discourage the use of other drugs.

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HELEN SMILES AGAIN: Helen Evans visits with her mother at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, Fla., Saturday, a month to the day she was beaten and nearly stomped to death in the ladies room of Miami's Greyhound Bus Station. Helen and her fiancé, both of Derby, England, were on a bus tour of the United States when Helen was attacked. She has nearly recovered physically, but still suffers mental damage. (AP Wirephoto)

Predicts Closing Of Gas Stations

BY RALPH LUTZ
Staff Writer

A veteran St. Joseph service station operator predicts protest closings by most Twin City area major brand gasoline stations if a price rollback is upheld in federal court.

The prediction was made Sunday by W. H. Ehrenberg, operator of a Standard station, in commenting on the consequences of the Cost of Living Council's order rolling back retail prices to last Jan. 10.

Ehrenberg said the closings would probably be at the same time, and occur sometime during the work week. He predicted that the closings would last two or three days.

The court ruling is expected on Sept. 17, Ehrenberg

reminded. The suit is on appeal of the Cost of Living Council's order.

Meanwhile, the rollback order that took effect Saturday apparently has hit some stations more than others.

Ehrenberg, under the ruling, is now charging customers 40.4 cents a gallon for regular grade gasoline, and 44.5 cents for premium. He was charging 41.9 for regular and 45.9 for premium.

Ehrenberg said the reduction, 1½ cents for regular grade and a bit less for

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Junior & Bantam bowlers register all this week. Gersonde Recreation. Adv.

Golf at Paw Paw Lake. Adv.



SIGN TELLS STORY: W.H. (Duke) Ehrenberg, operator of Standard Oil service station in St. Joseph, points to sign protesting gasoline price rollback, ordered by Cost of Living Council. Similar signs appear at other area service stations, and all are to post gasoline prices. (Staff photo)

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Editorial Page

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The Next Big Debate Is Called Shale Oil

Anyone who thinks that strip-mining of coal in Montana or Ohio created the ultimate environmental brouhaha has another think coming. Just wait until the U.S. Interior Department decides, as it apparently will, to lease several tracts in three western states for oil-shale development. The ensuing controversy will easily match that surrounding exploitation of Alaska's petroleum-laden North Slope.

At issue is the Interior Department's final environmental-impact statement on a proposed leasing of six tracts of land rich in oil-shale deposits. Two 5,100-acre tracts are situated in each of three states — Colorado, Utah and Wyoming. Collectively, the three-state area is referred to as the Green River Formation.

The area is the site of ancient lakes, bogs and swamps which, perhaps 50 million years ago, began to ensnare tiny creatures which in due course decayed into a waxy substance called kerogen. Kerogen is the source of oil — albeit a synthetic oil — in shale. The shale with which kerogen has solidified is actually marlstone. So, technically, oil shale is neither shale nor oil.

The quality of shale oil is judged in terms of gallons of oil per recoverable ton of shale. One calculation, that the Green River Formation holds two trillion barrels of oil, is made on the basis of shale which is likely to yield 10 gallons or more per ton.

To extract usable petroleum from oil shale involves crushing the rock, applying heat to transform the kerogen into liquid, and removing impurities from the liquid. Conventional techniques of oil shale mining consist of bulldozing it out of the ground, when

deposits lie near the surface, or deep mining — the "room and pillar" method. The latter involves setting off explosives underground to loosen the shale. As much as 75 per cent can then be removed by conveyor belt.

Still another method is IN SITU — in place — mining. Heat is applied underground to release the kerogen and force it out, like oil from a well. IN SITU mining would eliminate the need to extract the shale and dispose of waste.

Jared G. Carter, deputy under secretary of the interior, says that the environmental effects of oil-shale mining "don't look unbearable in light of the future potential for contributing to the over-all energy picture." He adds that he has not "heard the environmental groups say it's a sellout."

Oh, but he almost certainly will. Colorado, where the richest oil-shale deposits lie, is the same state that voted to tell the 1972 Winter Olympic Games to go elsewhere, largely because of environmental considerations. Oil-shale strip-mining would cause more extensive and lasting damage than construction of ski trails. Moreover, wildlife-preservation groups surely will be heard from, for the oil-shale area straddles the migration route of the rare mule deer. And then there are the problems of water pollution, population growth, and... you name it. What price energy?

The quickest way to get shale oil in production may prove to be development of an economically feasible "IN-SITU" method. That may be the only way to avoid an endless ecology debate.

Welfare State Blues Along The North Sea

The North Sea lands of spectacular fjords and equally spectacular blondes are on a dilemma's horns rivaling in size any that ever adorned the helmets of their fabled Viking warriors. At least, that's the picture painted in a variety of reports published during the past several months in this country.

The Scandinavians don't really know whether to love or leave their advanced brands of socialist government.

One of the most remarkable political success stories of modern times may end when Swedish voters elect a new parliament on Sept. 16. Opinion polls indicate that Prime Minister Olof Palme's Social democratic Party could well go down to defeat after 41 years in power. But even if the party receives a new mandate, troubling questions about Scandinavia's distinctive brand of socialism are bound to linger.

In a way, it is difficult to see why the Social Democrats should have anything to worry about. Unemployment is virtually non-existent by American standards, and Swedes enjoy the highest standard of living in Europe. Because of the wide range of womb-to-tomb social services, some authorities assert that Swedes are better off, on the average, than Americans.

Still, Swedes and other Scandinavians are unhappy about a number of things, including taxation. For every dollar a Swede earns above \$6,000 a year, he pays 58 cents in taxes. At \$12,000, the tax rises to 70 per cent.

A related source of dissatisfaction stems from the leveling of wage rates. For example, the highest-paid worker in Sweden's electrical industry earns only about 5 per cent more an hour than the lowest-paid. Thus, there is little incentive to advance. The additional pay is rarely worth the effort, and most of it will go to the tax collector anyway.

The Scandinavians most concerned about high tax rates appear to be the Danes. That is the only way to explain the sudden emergence of Mogens Glistrup, a tax lawyer who proposes to abolish the income tax altogether. Other planks in the platform of Glistrup's Progressive Party call for (1) closing down the military services; (2) ending many government subsidies; (3) closing all of Denmark's foreign embassies except the one in Brussels, the Common Market headquarters; (4) trimming the government bureaucracy.

Glistrup's program has its whimsical side, to be sure. He would, he says, replace the armed services with a telephone answering service. Callers would hear a voice announce, in Russian, "We capitulate."

Initially, Denmark's political establishment dismissed Glistrup as an eccentric or a buffoon. Now they are taking him more seriously. Between January and April of this year public support for his programs, as reflected in opinion polls, rose from 2 per cent to nearly 26 per cent.

On a deeper level, Scandinavians may be most disturbed of all by their almost total reliance on the state. A class of "new poor" has developed in Sweden. These are "people who would be able to support themselves and their families if tax pressures were easier," a correspondent writes. Instead, they are forced to live on government welfare payments and "are in this way robbed of their sense of independence."

After four decades of benevolent socialist paternalism, however, the average Scandinavian's sense of independence probably has atrophied beyond repair. Swedes, Danes and Norwegians would welcome lower taxes, as who wouldn't, but they would hate to forego the social services which high taxes make possible. In the end, tax-supported security may seem more desirable than rugged individualism.

'We Gave At The Office!'



GLANCING BACKWARDS

SHUT-OFF VALVES SAVE STATION — 1 Year Ago —

Shut-off valves were cited as apparently preventing a major fire Saturday when a pickup truck rammed into and broke four gasoline pumps at the South Town Gulf service station at Hilltop road and Washington avenue, St. Joseph.

Station employees extinguished a blaze that broke out around one of the gasoline pump "islands" and St. Joseph township firemen washed down gasoline that flowed from the broken pumps.

ZION CHURCH RECEIVES \$100,000 — 10 Years Ago —

The Zion Evangelical and Reformed church is a major beneficiary from a fortune accumulated in the early days of American automobile industry by a former St. Joseph resident. The benefactress is Isabella Ann Crawford Komitch, widow of Herman E. Komitch.

The legacy is \$100,000 or one third of her residual estate, whichever is the smaller. The Rev. E. A. Irion, church pastor, devoted his entire sermon Sunday morning to the gift.

ST. JOE MAN IS LIBERATED — 25 Years Ago —

Staff Sgt. Lewis (Buddy) Sleeper of St. Joseph, who was taken prisoner in Romania last May in an air raid over the Poesti oil fields, has been liberated and returned to the American forces in Italy.

Word of his rescue was contained in a letter from the young airman, received late Saturday afternoon by his sister, Mrs. John Platts of St. Joseph. In his letter Sgt. Sleeper said he expected to be home soon.

CAMPBELL ON COMMITTEE
— 39 Years Ago —
George S. Campbell, an executive of the Upton Machine company, was elected chairman of the city committee when St. Joseph Republicans met in the city hall.

ISSUES PROCLAMATION — 49 Years Ago —

Mayor Louis A. King issued a Defense Day proclamation in accordance with the request of President Calvin Coolidge, calling on all citizens between the ages of 18 and 45 to "mobilize" on Sept. 12 at Memorial hall.

SUMMER OF 14 ENDS — 59 Years Ago —

With several days of cool weather, the summer season of 1914 is dying a slow and painless death. The city had one of the smallest crowds on record over Labor Day. Souvenir stands are closing and after next week few resorts will be left.

FISHING IS GOOD — 83 Years Ago —

The fishing is very fair now along the St. Joseph river and a good many bass, perch, and catfish are caught. With good tackle and tempting bait, the ordinary, skilled angler may even enjoy a day's rare sport along the rocky beaches and grass banks.

BERRY'S WORLD



"My guess is that you're against the use of automobiles, because of how they pollute, so I won't give you a lift and let you compromise your principles."

Ray Cromley

Pentagon Flunks Weapons Tests



WASHINGTON (NEA) — There's much in the news these days about major Soviet advances in intercontinental missiles, warships and submarines. But equally alarming is information leaking out in bits and pieces on weaknesses, and possible unknown weaknesses, in a range of U.S. weapons — in part a result of insufficient testing before purchase.

Unpublished Pentagon studies, made at the request of Congress, raise questions as to both the reliability and vulnerability in actual war conditions of weapons on which this country would depend in a crisis.

Back in July 1970, the blue ribbon panel found that Pentagon testing of new weapons before procurement was inadequate. There was, of course, development testing by the contractors; but the Defense Department rather consistently fumbled when it came to operational testing of new weapons in a realistic (simulated wartime) environment. And when such testing was done, it was carried out too late to influence key procurement decisions.

The panel reported also that testing new weapons against the capabilities of other weapons, or in conjunction with other weapons, was generally lacking, even though this is the way most weapons are used in actual war.

Recent evidence suggests that while some improvements have been made in testing and more planned, the Department of Defense has not made the progress it should have in this

matter. As a result, we have met up with unhappy surprises in Vietnam and are likely to have more rude shocks if we ever become engaged in a nuclear war for our existence.

Note these admissions in recent Pentagon statements to congressional committees:

Our testing ranges have still not been "structured" to permit realistic multi-aircraft operational test and evaluation.

"Before Vietnam, we expected AA (antiaircraft) guns to have only limited effect against attacking aircraft. Yet we lost heavily to such guns..."

"Most radar bombing accuracy tables are based on drops made in open ranges against uncluttered radar reflectors... When our forces in Southeast Asia attempted such missions, errors were normally much larger than expected."

The Pentagon is just now preparing to make radar bombing test runs in simulated battle conditions with cluttered radar and other distractions.

Laser-guided "smart" bombs were a sensation in the closing weeks of American participation in the Vietnam war. It is known theoretically that countermeasures are possible. Yet the Department of Defense has not yet run realistic tests to determine how vulnerable these new weapons may be. Testing is planned.

The Air Force needs more realistic operational terminal-guidance information on radar-guided and infrared homing air-to-air missiles for producing improved missile design.

Marianne Means



How Should We Choose Our Veep?

WASHINGTON — Since the Vice Presidency has been shaken by the threat of a criminal indictment, doubts have arisen once again about the way the nation picks its number-two leader.

The Eagleton disaster last year provoked public demands for reform of the casual and arbitrary fashion in which Vice Presidents traditionally have been chosen. The Democrats set up a special commission to study the process.

But the Watergate crimes came along. With the focus upstairs on troubled Presidency, concern about future Vice Presidents lost its urgency.

Spiro Agnew's current crisis has revived interest in upgrading the standards for his job. The American Bar Association Convention voted unanimously to establish a committee to recommend new methods of selecting Vice Presidents. The American Political Science Association held a seminar on the subject at its convention last week.

The Democratic Study Com-

mission will hold public hearings in Massachusetts Sept. 26 and in New Hampshire on Sept. 25, hoping to attract new ideas, and stir up further interest. Other hearings are tentatively planned in Virginia and Pennsylvania.

The Democratic Commission, chaired by ex-Vice President Hubert Humphrey, has met only twice thus far, although it is aiming to produce a report by January. The sessions dramatically demonstrated that its task will not be easy.

The group is sharply divided not only on how to reform the process but whether any major change should be made at all. Humphrey, for instance, is so convinced that loyalty to the President is essential that he is resistant to any proposal that could give the Vice President a measure of independence.

The most limited suggestion thus far is simply to give the new Presidential nominee an extra day to ponder before he must select his running mate. In current practice, the Vice Presidential nominee is voted upon by the party convention the day following the Presidential selection.

One of the most sweeping ideas is to abolish the job and title of Vice President altogether. The House Speaker, next in line of succession, would thereupon be enhanced in power and stature. A difficulty, however, is that the speaker is elected by merely one of 435 Congressional districts, and named to his post within the House more for seniority and organizational talent than leadership ability.

Another concept, urged by former Massachusetts Gov. Endicott Peabody, who was an unsuccessful candidate for Vice President last year, envisions the President and Veep running independently on the ballot on separate lines. Republican Sen. Jacob Javits, R-N.Y., endorsed such a reform last year, but found so little support for it that he has since been silent on the subject.

ANNIVERSARY

ATTICA, N.Y. (AP) — Nearly 200 persons gathered in front of the Attica state prison Sunday to mark the second anniversary of the beginning of America's bloodiest prison rebellion.

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'FOR ME?': Mrs. Edwin E. (Jeanne) Dwan, chairman the past four years of the executive seminar series of the Industrial Management Training program — an affiliate of Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce — receives an engraved plaque for her service from Anson Lovelette, former IMTP chairman. Mrs. Dwan continues on the IMTP steering committee.

Fall Semester

Industrial Management Classes Begin October 1

Fall semester of the Industrial Management Training program—an affiliate of the Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce—begins Oct. 1 in the twin cities, according to Walter B. Laetz, newly elected program chairman.

Eighteen evening classes are scheduled for a period of 6 to 10 weeks. Information on them goes this week to 324 local companies, with registration forms and course schedules. Enrollments are accepted only through firms, not from individuals, and the registration deadline is Sept. 24.

Courses are divided into two fields—industrial technology and industrial supervision.

New offerings this year are basic chemistry, a course with no prerequisite taught by Joel M. Snyder of Whirlpool Corp., and computer programming for career programmers taught by Wayne Pribbernow and Timothy Kent, both of Shepherd Products U.S., Inc.

Two chairmen helped develop the fall semester courses: Jack Wilson of Bendix Corp. and Barry Davis of Auto Specialties Manufacturing Co.

Niles Bank Seeks Shoreham, Berrien Springs Branches

NILES — The Niles National Bank and Trust Co. here has applied to the Regional Administrator of National Banks in Chicago to open branch offices in Shoreham and north of Berrien Springs. Branches would be near Shoreham drive and Lakeshore drive in Shoreham, and near Grove street and US-31-33 north of Berrien Springs. Applica-

tions to establish the branches were accepted by the administrator's office Thursday. American National Holding Co. of Kalamazoo acquired Niles National Bank and Trust earlier this year. The holding company also owns American National Bank and Trust Co. of Michigan.

BH Moose Sponsoring Bingo Games

Benton Harbor Loyal Order of Moose is sponsoring bingo every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Moose lodge, Zollar road, Ben-

ton township. The games are open to members and guests of members.

The Moose said proceeds will go to help support Child City at Mooseheart, Ill., and to retire the mortgage on the Benton Harbor lodge.

Days Of Gas Pump Jockey Numbered?

Self-Service Stations Hit In Twin Cities

BY NICK SMITH
Staff Writer

Along with blacksmiths, bounty hunters, lumbermen swinging axes and plowboys, progressive society seems about to erase another American folk hero — the greasy handed, filling station attendant.

The first Twin Cities area self-service gasoline station opened in June. There are now three, with a fourth slated to open by October. Managers of the stations report they cut their gas prices and have increased sales and profits. At present, these stations are self-service: Two Checker stations, one at 928 Territorial, one at 1242 M-139; the Spur station, at 845 East Napier; all in Benton township.

At the time of the conversion, managers of the stations said they cut the price of a gallon of regular 2 cents and the price of premium 3 cents. Steve Linn, manager of the M-139 Checker station, said, "Everyone makes more money with self-service."

Linn said oil companies sell more gas to dealers. Dealers, who earn less money per gallon due to price cuts, still make more profits from increased sales. Customers get gas for less, he said.

Everett Yancy, manager of the Spur station, said his gas

sales have increased from 800 gallons a day to 6,000 gallons a day. At that rate, the trend should grow, according to Linn, Yancy, and Kenneth Martin, manager of the Territorial Checker station.

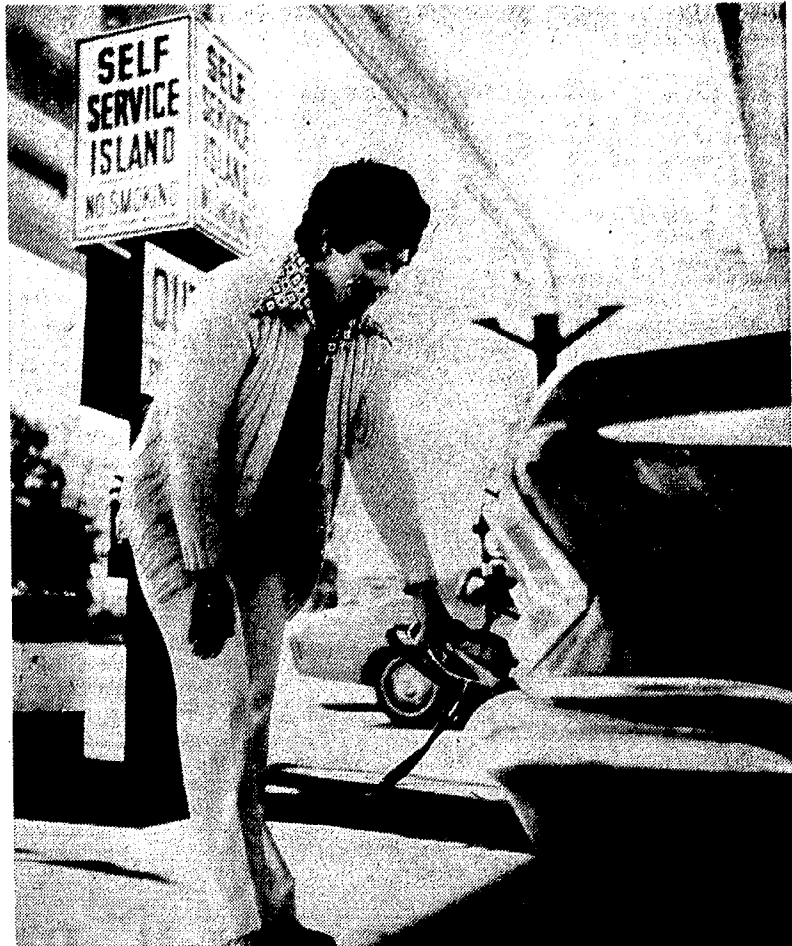
Pat Howard, 19, of 1606 Milton, Benton township, has been a cashier at the Spur station since the conversion to self-service. She said that, according to the State fire marshal, cashiers have to stay nearby the meter, located inside the station, which indicates how much gas and the cost of a customer's purchase.

On the gauge, she said, is a switch to shut off the pump if a bungling customer starts pouring gas onto the drive or gets out of a car with a lighted cigarette.

Pat said that many of the customers (including men) don't know where their gas cap is located. Also, some make the classic error of attendants and drive off without replacing their gas caps.

Some customers pull in, see it's a self-service, and drive away, she said. "They think they are too high class to pump their own gas."

The stations operate similarly. After pulling his car up to a gas pump, the customer takes the hose nozzle and turns



WOULD RATHER DO IT HERSELF: Mrs. Donald Froeber of Eua Claire demonstrates why she likes the Spur self-service gasoline station. She said she likes filling her own tank because it is quicker than waiting for an attendant and also gas costs less at self-service stations (Staff Photo)

a lever on the pump, which activates the pump motor. He then fills the tank.

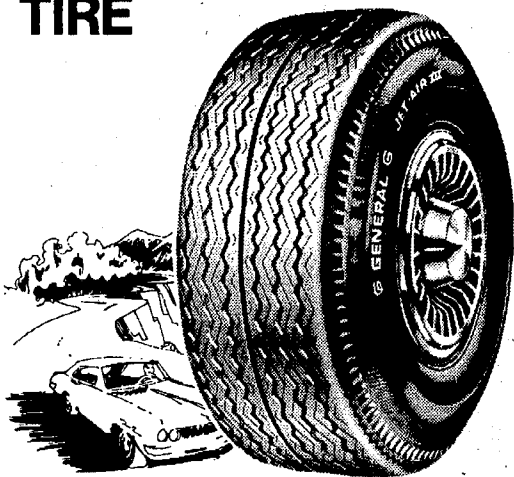
The cashier monitors each pump from a console. When the customer is finished he pays the cashier, then leaves. Cashiers call police if persons leave without paying. According to Pat Howard, most of the people who fail to pay tell police that they forgot.

The Arco station at the corner of M-139 and Nickerson will

reportedly be self-service by October. In the future, gas stations without attendants may be as

common as fast food restaurants without waitresses or discount department stores with no salesmen.

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NO-SWEAT FILLUP: Pat Howard (right), cashier at Spur gas station, 845 East Napier, Benton township, sits at pump control console while taking check from Charles Whiedon, an Andrews university student. Console tells how much each customer owes.

Berrien Township Crash Injures Buchanan Driver

A Buchanan man was injured Sunday noon when he lost control of his car on Dean's hill road, Berrien township, ran into an irrigation pump, and came to rest in the middle of a pond, according to Berrien sheriff's deputies.

Listed in "fair" condition in the intensive care unit of Berrien General hospital was Jackie Lee Horton, 19, of 704 Berrien street. He sustained spinal injuries, deputies said. The accident occurred on the property of Dale Dean. Horton was ticketed for failure to have his vehicle under control, deputies said.

In another accident, two persons were treated and

released from Mercy hospital following a one-car roll-over accident on I-94, near Friday road, Coloma township, Sunday at 8:30 p.m., according to State police of the Benton Harbor post.

State troopers said driver of the car, Sigel Nix, 41, and Rebecca Nix, 9, both of Winamac, Ind., sustained lacerations.

Four persons were treated and released from Mercy hospital after a two-car accident Sunday at 1:30 p.m. at the intersection of Napier avenue and Arent road, Bainbridge township, according to sheriff's deputies.

Driver of one auto, Ronald Howard Smith, 52, of 299 Elvern drive, Benton township, and two passengers, Delores Smith, 48, same address, and David Koster, 4, of Holland, sustained cuts and bruises, deputies said. Smith is a Berrien circuit court bailiff.

The other driver, Clarence C. Jacobs, 66, of Chicago, sustained possible spinal injuries and a head laceration.

Deputies said the Jacobs car, westbound on Napier, apparently turned into the path of the Smith auto, eastbound on Napier. Jacobs was ticketed for making an improper left turn, deputies said.



FIRE DESTROYS MAIL: Thousands of pieces of mail in truck bound from Grand Rapids post office to Chicago were destroyed Saturday when vehicle caught fire on Interstate 196 approximately four miles north of South Haven. Casco township firemen are pictured recovering remains of envelopes and parcels destroyed in blaze. Driver Carl Barhydt of Jenison told state police troopers from South Haven he was driving truck on its maiden voyage. Troopers theorize that exhaust system was mounted too close to wooden floor of body setting it on fire. Postal authorities said they probably will never be able to identify senders of mail which was collected from several west Michigan communities.

Higher Farm Prices May Beat Fuel Pinch

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — While the farm industry in Michigan could be hit with losses totalling more than \$50 million because of fuel shortages and a transportation crunch, rising prices may more than offset losses.

Sugar beet processors say they stand to lose up to \$35 million worth of raw sugar

unless they can find enough natural gas or petroleum to operate. Michigan traditionally has had a 6 to 8 per cent share of the nation's sugar beet market.

Millions of bushels of farm crops have piled up at railroad sidings because of a shortage of freight cars.

This has cost grain elevator operators at least \$10.5 million

in late shipment fees and other costs. The loss, said an official in the state Department of Agriculture, probably will be passed on through lower prices to farmers whose grain is hauled to the elevators.

If the already-harvested fruit crop in Michigan is any indication, rising food prices may overshadow problems and mean

over-all profits instead of losses.

The cherry crop of 55,000 tons for this year was less than half of last year's production, 107,000 tons. Cold weather killed some of the cherry crop buds last spring.

Prices, however, more than offset production losses, jumping from last year's 7.5 cents a pound to 18.75 cents a pound this year. This year's industry-wide receipts for cherries were \$20.6 million, about \$4 million more than last year.

Frank Owen, general manager of the eight-state Cherry Administrative Board which includes Michigan, said the same situation has prevailed in the apple harvest this year, where production is down, but prices are up.

Prices keep rising, but farmers complain they are running into an unusual host of problems.

Those readying to harvest crops have said they face not only gasoline shortages, but difficulty in finding replacement parts for expensive machinery.

The Michigan Farm and Power Equipment Dealers Association, representing 363 dealers across the state, acknowledged there is a problem. The association said some manufacturers are not providing as wide a range of parts as in the past.

The Michigan Sugar Co. of Saginaw has declared three of its four plants will be unable to process any beets this fall unless they can get the needed fuel to boil and dry the vegetable. The three plants ordinarily process as much as 48,000 acres of beets annually.

The fourth plant, in Croswell, operates on coal.

The problems of farmers are ready-made speech material for public officials.

Gov. William Milliken spoke in Presque Isle County over the weekend at a festival, saying that a portion of the area's potato crop was wiped out by disease last month, but that the state is usually willing to help.

In Presque Isle County in the past two years, said the governor, "The wheat crop has been damaged by flooding rivers. Many farmers have gone out of business and lost their life savings."

Watervliet Man Dies In Blaze

WATERVLIET — A Watervliet man died in a fire which swept his frame home on South Pleasant street at Summit drive here early Sunday.

The victim was identified by authorities as Eugene Joseph Chaput, 46, an employee of the Watervliet Paper company. Death was caused by asphyxiation according to Dr. A. J. Dalgleish, Berrien county deputy medical examiner.

Watervliet Fire Chief Elliott Spreen said a preliminary investigation indicated that Chaput, alone in the house, apparently awakened to find the

living room of his one-bedroom house engulfed in flames and tried to seek safety in the bathroom.

According to Spreen, the man instead entered a nearby closet where his charred body was found.

The victim had apparently attempted to use a blanket to shield himself from the flames and smoke.

Spreen said the cause of the fire, discovered about 5:30 a.m., apparently was a burning cigarette which fell from an ashtray onto a hide-away bed in



EUGENE J. CHAPUT

the living room.

According to Spreen, the fire was discovered by co-workers of the victim who stopped at the house at about 5:30 a.m. to awaken him for work and spotted the flames.

Spreen said the men drove onto the paper company where they notified an official who telephoned the fire department. Firemen said the one-story structure was engulfed in flames when they arrived about 5:40 a.m.

Paul Muth, assistant fire chief, who was first at the scene, said the intense heat and smoke prevented him from entering the structure. Flames were shooting from windows and the roof by the time firemen arrived, officials said.

Muth said doors and windows to the house were locked.

The fire destroyed the interior of the living room and adjacent areas and ate through the roof before being extinguished. Smoke and water damage was reported in the rest of the structure.

apparently awoke to flames and tried to seek refuge. His body was found in closet under remains of blanket. (Cliff Stevens photo)

Weekend Driving Takes 14 Lives

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

Two teenage boys were killed Sunday night when a chain stretched across a driveway swept them from their motorcycle, pushing the weekend fatalities to 14.

Killed were Paul Wells III, 15, and Terry Heilmann, 16, both of Flint. Flint police, who classified the deaths as traffic fatalities even though they were killed in the driveway, say the boys turned from a street and failed to see the chain.

Van Buren Board To Meet

PAW PAW — Van Buren county commissioners are scheduled to meet here at the courthouse Tuesday in a regular session that begins at 9:30 a.m. The afternoon session begins at 1:30. Commissioners meet in the basement of the courthouse and the meetings are open to the public.



SCENE OF FATAL BLAZE: Eugene Chaput perished in fire which swept his one-bedroom frame house on South Pleasant street at Summit drive in Watervliet early Sunday. Firemen said he

Indiana Crash Kills Niles Man

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — A Niles man, David Richard Frazier, 29, of 2924 Brick road, was killed in a one-car crash near here early Sunday morning.

St. Joseph county (Ind.) police said Frazier's car ran off Grape road and crashed into a utility pole about 3:37 a.m. Police said he was alone in the car.

He was pronounced dead at the scene by Dr. Louis Grwinski, deputy coroner.

Police said they have been unable to determine cause of the accident.

The body was taken to Pifer Funeral home, Niles.

Former Paw Paw Resident Killed

GOBLES — Gary Roger Gustafson, 16, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and formerly of route 3, Paw Paw, was killed in a one-car accident Sunday morning in Cedar Rapids.

According to Cedar Rapids police, Gustafson was driver of a car that went through a barrier of a T-intersection, traveled 100 feet through a wooded area and rolled down an embankment.

Two other persons in the car were not seriously injured, police said.

Surviving besides his parents, Gerald and Barbara Gustafson of

Cedar Rapids are a brother Barry of Cedar Rapids; and two sisters, Karen, at home, and Mrs. Daniel (Sharon) Clapp of Paw Paw and two grandmothers, Mrs. Cora Rankin of Paw Paw and Mrs. Helen Ostroff of Kalamazoo.

Cremation was held in Cedar Rapids.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Bethany Presbyterian church, Gobles.

Memorials may be made to the church building fund.



ROCK BASKETS: These wire baskets at South Haven's north beach await loading with rocks and installation along Lake Michigan shoreline in anti-erosion project. Loaded baskets are to be installed along 600 feet of public shoreline property under

\$66,000 federal program to stop washout of beach and land. According to officials similar projects have been carried out successfully in European countries but not in climate as in Michigan. (Tom Renner photos)



FINISHED PRODUCT: Loaded wire baskets have already been installed along part of South Haven's north beach in pilot anti-erosion project. Affect of

ice and winter conditions is to be watched to determine if project will work.

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